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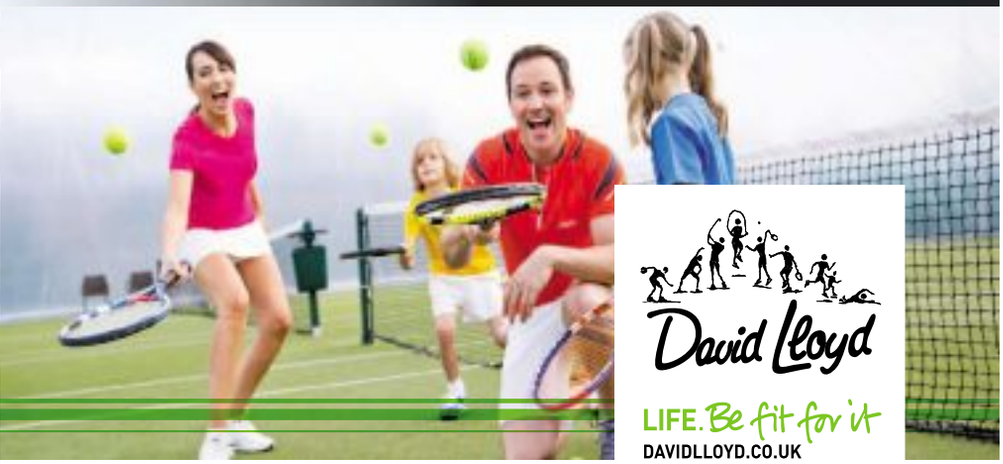

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Sarah's rowing for new ocean records

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Teachers rock to beat cancer

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Brian leads the skipping fun at the MK Rose

HUNDREDS of schoolchildren were at MK Rose in Campbell Park on Friday to celebrate National Skipping Day.

Students from Southwood School took part in a mass skip and the Mayor of Milton Keynes, Councillor Brian White, led the first skip at 11am.

But there was also a serious message behind the fun event. It is hoped it will help tackle obesity problems as currently 72 per cent of adults in MK are too fat.

Debbie Brock, chairman of the Milton Keynes Health and Wellbeing Board, said: "We're highlighted as an area with a growing obesity problem and this shows the benefits activities like skipping can have."

Poor nursery care claims

BY SCOTT KIRK
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INVESTIGATIONS into the alleged mistreatment of children at a city nursery have not been good enough, it has been claimed.

MK NEWS has been contacted by two former workers who say a series of incidents have taken place at The Centre MK Day Nursery which have not been properly investigated.

They include a misbehaving child being splashed with water, a member of staff putting their hand over a youngster's mouth and a three-year-old being allowed to wrap a computer cord around their neck.

There are also claims that four children have been taken out of the nursery by concerned parents since the start of the year.

The alleged incidents were reported to Asquith Nurseries, which runs the nursery in Eelbrook Avenue, Bradwell Common, and says it found no evidence these incidents had taken place. They were also reported to Ofsted but the complainants are not happy with the responses they have received.

Ofsted has refused to confirm or deny whether they are looking into the claims but Asquith has told MK NEWS inspectors are happy with the way the incidents were handled.

One of the former employees, who wished to remain anonymous, has alleged that in December a member of staff covered a child's mouth because he was misbehaving and told another worker that she would 'kill him' if she didn't leave the room.

"This wasn't even investigated when it should have been," they said.

"I went to head office about what had happened to this child on January 8 and they got back to me on February 10 to say they were going to look into it.

"That child was not safeguarded from that staff member as nothing happened to her. I am not happy with the way these issues have been dealt with."

Another former worker, who also didn't want to be named, has told this paper that in January a three-year-old managed to wrap a computer mouse cord around his neck while it was still plugged in and was left with a red mark.

They said: "Asquith spent three weeks investigating my concerns to which they do not think any further action is appropriate.

"I have appealed against this as I feel that it's important that consequences are put in place.

"I feel really upset and disappointed in Asquith Nurseries."

When we contacted Asquith Nurseries it originally told us it had conducted a full investigation and found no evidence the alleged incidents had taken place. It also said Ofsted was satisfied by the way in which they were handled.

Late last night it issued another statement that said: "These unfounded allegations have been made solely by two disgruntled former employees of Asquith Nurseries.

"It is important that everyone understands that no allegations have been brought by any other parent or family member of a child in our care.

"However, because we take these matters seriously, we have conducted an internal investigation which has concluded there is no wrongdoing in any aspect of the work we undertake at our nursery.

"We have welcomed a visit by Ofsted, who are satisfied by the way we have handled the matter.

"The safety and wellbeing of all our children and staff remains our number one priority."

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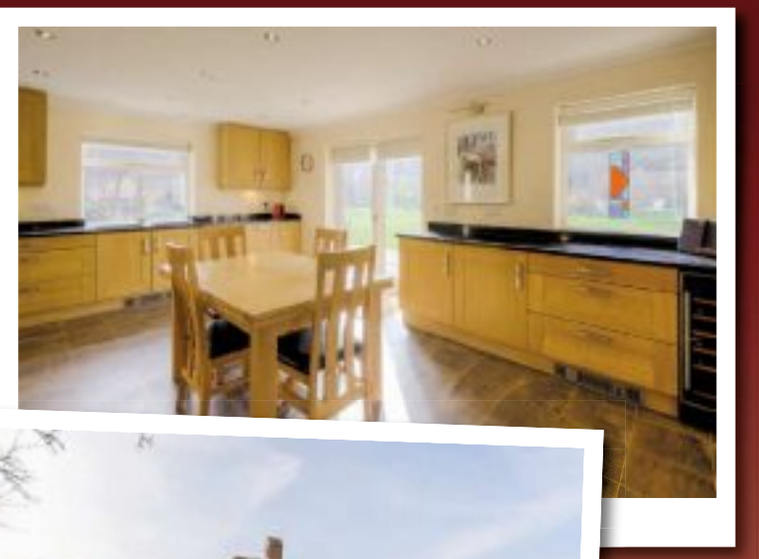

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Woodland is cut back to stop car park sex romps

A GARDENER was outraged to find woodland has been 'obliterated' in a bid to stop sex romps in a nearby car park.

Derek Lovell said trees and wildlife should not have to suffer because sexual activity, believed to be dogging, is taking place in the The Glebe roundabout car park and the surrounding area in Campbell Park.

The 53-year-old from Newport Pagnell, who has been a gardener for 25 years, said: "The area has been absolutely obliterated meaning residents and picnic goers can no longer enjoy it. I appreciate sexual activity goes on there but could this not have been prevented by thinning the area instead of getting rid of it altogether."

As previously reported in May 2013, police patrols were increased in the car park following late night activity.

Rob Riekie, head of operations at The Parks Trust, said: "We have had issues of anti-social and inappropriate behaviour in Campbell Park and when we undertake any landscaping we have to take this into account.

"However this is also alongside many other factors including plant health, wildlife habitat, general public access considerations and aesthetic value, as we do with similar landscape operations across the city."

Novice rower to try Atlantic triple record

A 45-YEAR-OLD who had never rowed before February now hopes to break three world records by rowing across the Atlantic.

Sarah Lawton, from Olney, is part of a crew of eight, skippered by famous ocean rower Leven Brown, which hopes to become the fastest ever transatlantic team. In December they will start their 3,000 mile trip, which they aim to complete within 30 days to beat the current 32 day, 11 hour record.

This would be the equivalent of a record four minute mile. It would also break the record for the number of consecutive days rowing more than 100 miles.

During the voyage from the Canary Islands to Barbados the crew will row in two-hour shifts.

Sarah said: "The entire crew is committed to beating the 30 days."

Hot mail that won't be delivered

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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HUNDREDS of letters, packages and even a birthday card containing money were set on fire on Friday.

Firefighters were called to the blazing bag of mail near the Blue Lagoon Nature Reserve in Bletchley.

A spokesman from Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service said: "The crew could see hundreds of letters for city addresses and they saved what they could."

Police confirmed they are currently investigating the suspected arson.

A Royal Mail spokesman said: "Mail due for delivery from the Kiln Farm Delivery Office was damaged. Regretfully the items are undeliverable due to the damage.

"We apologise to any customer whose mail has been affected. We are currently investigating as Royal Mail has a zero tolerance approach to any dishonesty. It is a criminal offence to tamper with the delivery of mail and anyone caught doing so will face serious disciplinary measures."

The suspected arson is the fourth this month at the nature reserve and firefighters have had to extinguish 60 square meters of grassland.

MK Council, which owns the reserve, said: "Please report any suspicious activity to us or the police."

Worry at cuts in camera funding

BY JAMES AVERILL
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CONCERNS have been raised that a potential reduction in the funding of CCTV services 'won't help police officers'.

It emerged during meetings held by Milton Keynes Council's CCTV review group that the contribution from Thames Valley Police to cameras in the city could reduce from £225,000 a year to as little as £50,000 by 2017/18.

This could lead to a reduction in staffing levels unless other income streams could be identified.

Councillors were worried that a cut in CCTV services would lead to crime levels rising. And Cllr Mohammed Khan, who sits on the review group, said he was concerned the work of police officers would become 'limited'.

He added: "It looks like there's going to be some cuts to CCTV and there won't be enough staff to maintain the current levels. I am concerned about the cutting of these services. Milton Keynes is a growing city and we need to be keeping up.

"The police do a good job with the resources they currently have, but if we are cutting down CCTV we are not helping police officers and limiting what they can do."

A joint statement from Thames Valley Police and MK Council said: "We will continue to work across the area to support the use of CCTV. Thames Valley Police is currently reviewing the use of CCTV to ensure the best possible use of new technologies; ensuring it continues to be used effectively and cost efficiently."

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Having a drink of cool milk: Key Stage One children from Webber Independent School

Milk is oh so cool at school

A GROUP of Key Stage One children enjoyed a special Cool Milk assembly as part of a national initiative to promote the benefits of the white stuff.

The children from Webber Independent School watched a presentation by famous TV presenter, Bob Goulding, before learning the Milk Shake song. Drinking milk is a good source of hydration and helps aid concentration.

Principal Sue Vig said: "It is important that children learn from a young age the importance of a healthy lifestyle and the impact their diet has on their ability to be successful in class."

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Vote online for cash

MORE than 1,000 people have already voted on which group should win a £25,000 STEP grant from MK Community Foundation. The cash will go to either Independent Cinema MK, Milton Keynes City Orchestra MK or YMCA. Vote online at www.mkweb.co.uk

Image after stab row

A CCTV image has been released of three teenage boys police want to speak to. A row between two male groups resulted in stab threats and mobile phones being stolen during the February 22 incident at thecentre:mk. See the image at www.mkweb.co.uk

E-fit released after assault

AN E-FIT has been released of a man police suspect of assaulting a 14-year-old girl.

The teenager was standing beside the K4 bus stop beside The Point in Lower Ninth Street when she was grabbed by a man who had been waiting next to her.

He grabbed her but she managed to wrestle him off. He then grabbed her again but she was able to run off towards thecentre:mk.

The incident happened between 2.25pm and 2.55pm on March 8. The e-fit can be viewed online at mkweb.co.uk

5,000 new homes for the city

A PLAN which includes the potential to build 5,000 new homes in Milton Keynes has been passed by councillors.

They would be in addition to the 28,000 properties already planned to be built by 2026 and 1,500 of them would be affordable housing.

The proposals are part of Milton Keynes Development Partnership's business plan for 2014/15 and have been approved by Milton Keynes Council's cabinet. Edith Bald, member for housing, said: "Affordable housing stock is the best solution to homelessness."

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Thumbs up for Aldi

AN ALDI is precisely what Wolverton needs (*'Petition to support Aldi supermarket in Wolverton, Milton Keynes', MKWeb*).

The fact is many residents cannot afford to shop in Tesco and Asda and having a budget supermarket local enough to walk to is much needed.

I think the local councillors need to invest some effort into supporting the needs of locals, after all that's their job isn't it? To represent the views of the residents.

They should be actively supporting this application at the proposed site in the town, not fighting against it.

They talk endlessly of regenerating the Agora, but Wolverton is more than a small square in the middle of the town.

They say it should be located elsewhere, yet have ignored requests to suggest alternative sites.

Having such a store at that end of Wolverton would massively increase footfall to all the small independent businesses along Stratford Road. It would help the regeneration far more than hinder it. Maybe it does go against the plan for the town, but the total lack of progress on that front so far suggests maybe that's exactly what is needed to protect the future of the town.

Name and address supplied

■ *For the latest on this story, turn to page 7*

Be proud of MK history

I NO longer live in Milton Keynes and this just proves one of the things that I hate about it (*'Committee grants permission to demolish iconic Milton Keynes landmark The Point', MKWeb*).

They just don't care about the history of the place. An iconic building is old, so let's just tear it down.

The history of the development of any place is important. There is Bletchley Park and The National Museum of Computing and places like Milton Keynes Village with plenty of old buildings, but what about the centre of Milton Keynes?

Look at other places like Coventry for instance. During the Second World War its cathedral was bombed and was in a worse state than The Point, but it kept what it could and built around it making a beautiful mix of the old cathedral and a new one. Why can't MK do that?

Let's face it, the pyramid part of The Point is the iconic bit, while the cinema is a box at the back. Why not keep the point and develop the back? How about putting some shops or cafes there? And making the rent affordable for independent stores so MK doesn't just end up with more big national chains that already have places in thecentre:mk, The Hub and Xscape?

In Bradford the council wanted to tear down the building of an old Odeon and for 10 years people protested in a bid to save it and it seems to have worked.

Having spoken to those in MK, the worse part of this to me is the amount of people who have just said 'its not being used so knock it down and put something better there'. MK is like a child, always wanting a new toy. What happens in another 20 or 30 years' time?

Why doesn't Milton Keynes create a museum celebrating the history of the area as it develops?

Darren George
Sent via email

■ *For more on The Point and plans for MK Museum, turn to page 11.*

Time to go up market

AS A resident of Bletchley for more than 40 years, including central Bletchley for 20 years, I have seen Queensway as a flourishing place in the 1970s, attracting shoppers from the Lakes Estate, West Bletchley and other areas surrounding the town.

It will not be easy to revive Queensway to make the place more attractive (*'Variety's key to our high street', MK NEWS, March 12*). The opening of a Tesco supermarket very close to the town centre has taken customers from central Bletchley. People who live in West Bletchley go to Asda and residents in Far Bletchley go to nearby Morrisons.

A large amount of money was spent on Elizabeth Square and the band stand, which is used as a meeting place for youngsters and it is a convenient drinking place for them. The shops are not unique in order to attract people from outside the area and there is only limited parking.

It is true that there are too many charity shops in Queensway, but they do provide a useful service to the local people and there is no point in keeping shops vacant to be vandalised.

However, registered charities have an advantage over small businesses. They get clothes free from the public and most of the workers are volunteers apart from managers who are paid.

It is wrong on the part of the chairman of West Bletchley Council to state that charity shops don't prevent other retailers from taking on premises. These retailers have to pay full rent and for materials and staff. Small traders have to compete with supermarkets that are open seven days a week.

The decline in Queensway is due to high rates/rents, restricted opening hours and a lack of parking space.

People come to Bletchley for the use of the banks, library and post office and at present Queensway caters for the local residents.

The centre needs to attract more people from outside. It should go up market like Stony Stratford offering good restaurants, coffee shops and a proper cultural centre. The best suggestion is to knock down the Agora and buildings around it and build a modern shopping centre.

There are already 10 gaming shops and arcades. The 11th betting shop application is to change mobile phone shop Mob Doc into a Paddy Power outlet.

It is up to Bletchley and Fenny Stratford Town Council to do something and not allow more gaming shops in the town.

Arun Vaidyanathan
Sent via email

Facing a pension crisis

LAST week I was given my new state pension amount from April by the Department of Work and Pensions.

The basic pension is now £113.10. Should I be grateful?

The Government proudly proclaims it has protected pensioners' incomes applying a triple lock. The truth is though nobody can live on the basic pension, which is why a means tested benefit exists.

One in five pensioners live below the poverty level (£180 before housing costs). Fuel poverty is rife: 31,000 old persons died last year from cold related conditions.

The treatment of elderly people in the UK is a national outrage. The state pension is among the lowest in Europe. Germany spends two thirds as much on pensions, France twice as much.

In April 2016 there will be new arrangements. A two tier system will be created. Those with 35 years worth of contributions will be paid a simplified amount of around £150. Existing pensioners will get not a penny more than they do now. An individual who paid 49 years worth of contributions will be paid the equivalent of £113.10. Clearly unfair.

Future pensioners will be asked to pay five years extra contributions, their pension will be less and they will be forced to work longer. According to the IFS most people born after 1986 will be worse off under the new regime. The cost to the state is to be reduced as a percentage of GDP.

For future retirees the state pension will be the only game in town. There are less people in pension schemes than any time since 1951. Employers have largely abnegated responsibility for providing decent, secure pensions.

Any defined benefit scheme, including the new Workplace Pensions, will provide only modest pensions. An individual would have to contribute 15 per cent of earnings from the age of 25 to provide him or herself with a good income in retirement. This is simply not possible for ordinary working people given mass unemployment, low wages and gross insecurity.

We face a pensions crisis!

The Milton Keynes Pensioners Association is campaigning for fairness after April 2016 and for a state pension at least the equivalent to the official poverty level.

Anyone who would like to join our campaign, or needs further information about future pensions, should contact the National Pensions Convention on 0208 73830388.

Stephen Mitchell
Green Farm Road, Newport Pagnell

More broken promises?

MK SOUTH MP Iain Stewart's protestation that the 'hospital closure clause' passed by the coalition government last week will only be used 'under exceptional circumstances' will reassure no-one (*MK NEWS, March 12*).

Previous coalition promises on our NHS service have all proved to be false.

Before the general election, David Cameron pledged that there would be no top down restructuring of the NHS service, but once in power his Health and Social Care Act has launched one of the largest reorganisations in NHS history at a cost of £3billion – money that could have been used to improve health services in Milton Keynes and elsewhere.

David Cameron pledged to ring fence money for the NHS, but once in power proceeded to cut funding to the NHS by £20billion through 'efficiency savings'.

He also pledged to protect the NHS, but once in power has presided over a creeping privatisation programme – 70 per cent of NHS contracts awarded since April 2013 have been awarded to private companies seeking to make a profit from our NHS service.

After four years of Mr Stewart's government we have a crisis in A&E departments, waiting times for appointments and operations are increasing, 5,000 nurses jobs have gone and many hospitals are facing a financial crisis.

With a catalogue of broken promises and pledges on our cherished NHS the people of Milton Keynes will be very sceptical about any statements on the NHS by a representative of the coalition government.

Dave Brunwin
Stony Stratford

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Huge hole left in Wolverton: Denise Ilett, who dedicated her life to her local community, has died

Tribute call for town champion

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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CALLS have been made for a memorial in memory of a popular town stalwart who suddenly passed away last week.

Wolverton and Greenleys Town Council announced at its meeting on Thursday that Denise Ilett had been found dead at the bottom of the stairs at her home in Anson Road that morning.

Denise, 64, dedicated her life to working for the community and was secretary of Wolverton Community Orchard Group and Wolverton Society for Arts Heritage, helping to organise many events.

She wrote numerous presentations to celebrate the town's railway heritage during the 175th anniversary of Wolverton Works last year.

She also helped organise the town's annual Britain in Bloom entries and last year was given a special award from the judges for her 'outstanding commitment to the community'.

Denise, who was married to Jeff and had a son Philip, was know for her creativity and was a former window dresser for shops like Harrods in London.

Town council chairman Hilary Saunders, who was a close friend of Denise, said: "There will be a huge hole in Wolverton. She has done so much for the town and had a real passion for its history.

"There have been many expressions of sympathy and shock that someone so full of life could be so suddenly taken away. Many people have said we must collect for a memorial and I will ask our clerk if we can accept donations at the Town Hall."

Paul Ridley, from Wolverton, left a comment on MKWeb saying: "I hope someone does a memorial – a nice plant or rose bush, she did like her planting."

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No appeal for Beth

THERE will not be an appeal against a High Court decision to prevent the sperm of a widow's dead husband from being destroyed. The Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority (HFEA) will not contest Beth Warren's landmark ruling.

Bank repairs church

EMPLOYEES from Santander's Milton Keynes office spent the day at St Mary Magdalene Church in Willen to help repair and restore the woodwork in the apse, aisle and pew. The team was there as part of the bank's Community Day.

Cancer support group

MILTON Keynes Lymphoma Association support group will be holding a meeting on Thursday, April 3 at the Peartree Centre from 2pm. The meeting supports anyone affected by cancer.

Have your say on Aldi plans

RESIDENTS will have the opportunity to have their say on plans for a new Aldi store.

Wolverton and Greenleys Town Council has organised a public meeting with representatives from the supermarket, which is hoping to build a new shop in Stratford Road.

The plans have divided the town with some wanting the store to be built at the proposed site, while others have suggested it should be in the centre.

The meeting will be held at Foundation House in Church Street on Thursday, March 27 at 7pm.

A planning application has been submitted to Milton Keynes Council and will be discussed by its development control committee later this year.

Don't turn park into 'Disney'

A PEER who used to work at Bletchley Park has urged its trust not to turn the site into a 'Disney theme park'.

Speaking about the £8million restoration of the site, Baroness Trumpington, 91 – who worked at the park cracking codes in the 1940s – said on Thursday: "I hope those involved avoid creating a Disney theme park experience for visitors — the Hollywood films made bear little resemblance to the Bletchley I recall."

She was speaking at a House of Lords debate about the park's future and its row with The National Museum of Computing.

A Bletchley Park spokesman said work would 'restore the site to its wartime glory'.

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Protesting: Some of the mums breast feeding their children at the shopping centre on Saturday

Breast is best say mums

AT LEAST sixty mums attended a protest at the weekend in a bid to change people's views about breast feeding.

It was organised by Cydney Davis, from New Bradwell, who breast fed her eight-month-old daughter Xanthe at the event in Middleton Hall at thecentre:mk on Saturday.

She said: "It went really well, with many of us sitting and feeding our babies.

"Lots of people came up to congratulate us and only a few people gave us dirty looks. thecentre:mk provided chairs and was very supportive.

"We would like to hold a similar event annually during National Breast Feeding Week in August. But mainly we hope we have changed some views."

The protest was held after Emily Slough, from Staffordshire, was called a tramp on Facebook for breast feeding in a town centre.

Wanting to give Red Bull wings

BY SCOTT KIRK
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MOTOR RACING giant Red Bull could be awarded Freedom of the Borough by councillors at an extraordinary meeting tomorrow.

Two thirds of members at Milton Keynes Council must agree to give the Tilbrook-based firm the award – which is the highest honour the authority can bestow. It would only be the fifth time it has been awarded in the city's history.

Council leader Andrew Geary said: "The team is a great ambassador for inward investment and business growth, bringing massive economic benefits."

If the status is approved team principal Christian Horner will be presented with a ceremonial scroll and bowl by Milton Keynes mayor Brian White.

Mr Horner said: "It's obviously a huge honour for Infiniti Red Bull Racing to be considered for the Freedom of the Borough of Milton Keynes. Since moving into the factory at the end of 2004 we have always appreciated local support, with many of our staff also living in or around the borough.

"We are very proud to call Milton Keynes our home."

The ceremony will be held at the council's Civic Offices at 8pm tomorrow.

Watch our interview with Christian Horner online: Visit www.mkweb.co.uk

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Dress in blue for Leo

MK NEWS and MKWeb's charity of the year, Milton Keynes Hospital's Leo's Appeal, will be holding a Wear It Blue Day on May 2. Schools and businesses across MK are being urged to get involved. To sign up email fundraising@mkhospital.nhs.uk.

'Futuristic' transport or tram could get green light in CMK

A 'FUTURISTIC' transport link or tram could be built as part of the renovation of Midsummer Boulevard.

The link would run from MK Central train station to Campbell Park after a consensus was agreed by 80 stakeholders who attended a fiery three-day workshop last month.

Councillors, businesses, pressure groups and residents also agreed that the market should be improved and enhanced, multi-storey car parks should be built and the boulevard should be more pedestrian-friendly.

Councillor Andy Dransfield warned that lessons should be learned from the recent revamp of Station Square, which has been criticised for a catalogue of errors, including traffic problems and a lack of toilets.

Another workshop is expected to be held on the future of the boulevard in June.

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Celebrating the city's past: Director Bill Griffiths outside the entrance to Milton Keynes Museum, which he hopes can be transformed using part of The Point if it can be restored

Making a Point of our heritage

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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THE Point and collections honouring Red Bull and Marshall Amps could be included in a new £7.5million project to transform the city's museum.

Following the announcement of the scheme to expand Milton Keynes Museum to incorporate more of the city's history, residents have voiced their desire the see The Point – which is being removed from Midsummer Boulevard to make room for a new development – moved there.

Director Bill Griffiths has told MK NEWS he is considering making the iconic structure the new entrance to the museum in Wolverton.

He said: "It is early days but we wanted a landmark building here and following public suggestion if The Point can be saved we are willing to try."

He also hopes to have a Formula 1 car simulator to celebrate Red Bull's history and a huge blue screen to enable visitors to play instruments alongside their favourite bands in honour of Marshall Amps. Both companies have already shown their support for the ideas.

"We want to keep the feel we have now with Red Bull and Marshall also being interactive displays," added Bill.

Residents are being invited to have their say on what should be included in the new-look museum.

"It was built by the community for the community and this is how we want it to remain," said Bill.

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Concerns raised over town police

BY SCOTT KIRK
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FEARS have been raised about the future of policing in a town after it was announced the office will be closed.

It has also been claimed by councillors that communication from Thames Valley Police about its plans to shut the office in High Street, Woburn Sands, and relocate officers and PCSOs to Broughton Fire Station has been 'abysmal'.

However, the force has told MK NEWS that the current office will remain open until a location for a 'police information point' has been found in the town.

It has also said that only some 'operational' staff would move to Broughton.

Concerns about the plans were raised by members of Woburn Sands Town Council last Monday.

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Cllr Paul Farrant, mayor and chairman of the council said: "I think they [Thames Valley Police] should be telling us how they will police the area.

"I think we should outline how disappointed we are at the communication. The communication has been abysmal."

As previously reported by MK NEWS, the force has been reviewing its current office in Woburn Sands because it is too expensive.

A spokesman said: "The process of locating an alternative more cost-effective facility is still taking place. We would like to reassure the public that the current site will remain open until a new location for a police information point is found.

"Once the replacement facility has been confirmed, the details of the changes will be communicated to residents. Our neighbourhood team will carry out patrols at the current level to ensure public safety."

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Breathless: Alex Burnhurst, Ed Jones and Simon Martin

Cancer concert

A MUSICIAN who has battled Leukaemia since 2006 is holding his eighth concert for charity.

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‘We’ll work with temple on noise’

BY JAMES AVERILL
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A MUSIC venue facing closure after being served with a noise abatement notice has said it will try and work with the neighbouring Sikh temple to eradicate problems.

A petition has been launched to save MK11 at Kiln Farm Club, which has garnered nearly 4,000 signatures within a week.

The club was served with an abatement notice after an officer from Milton Keynes Council visited the premises.

It followed complaints from the neighbouring Ramgarhia Sabha temple.

Complaints raised by the temple include MK11 customers being captured on CCTV urinating in its grounds, while a religious ceremony was interrupted in January as music ‘penetrated the walls’ until 2.30am.

But one of club’s managers, Simon O’Brien, says the venue is willing to work with the temple, but is appealing for more time from the council – which he accused of ‘systematic bullying’.

Worried: Business partners Richard Baggs and Simon O’Brien

“We were surprised as we thought we had a good relationship with the temple,” Simon told MK NEWS.

“It’s a real threat that we might close and our staff will lose their jobs.

“The abatement has cost us £10,000 because we’ve had to cancel some events and that money could have gone towards soundproofing.

“The temple was built after the club, but we want to work with it to put things right, but we need to be given time.”

A council spokesman said it would meet with the club ‘to discuss all the issues raised’.

MK NEWS contacted the temple but it did not provide a comment by the time we went to press.

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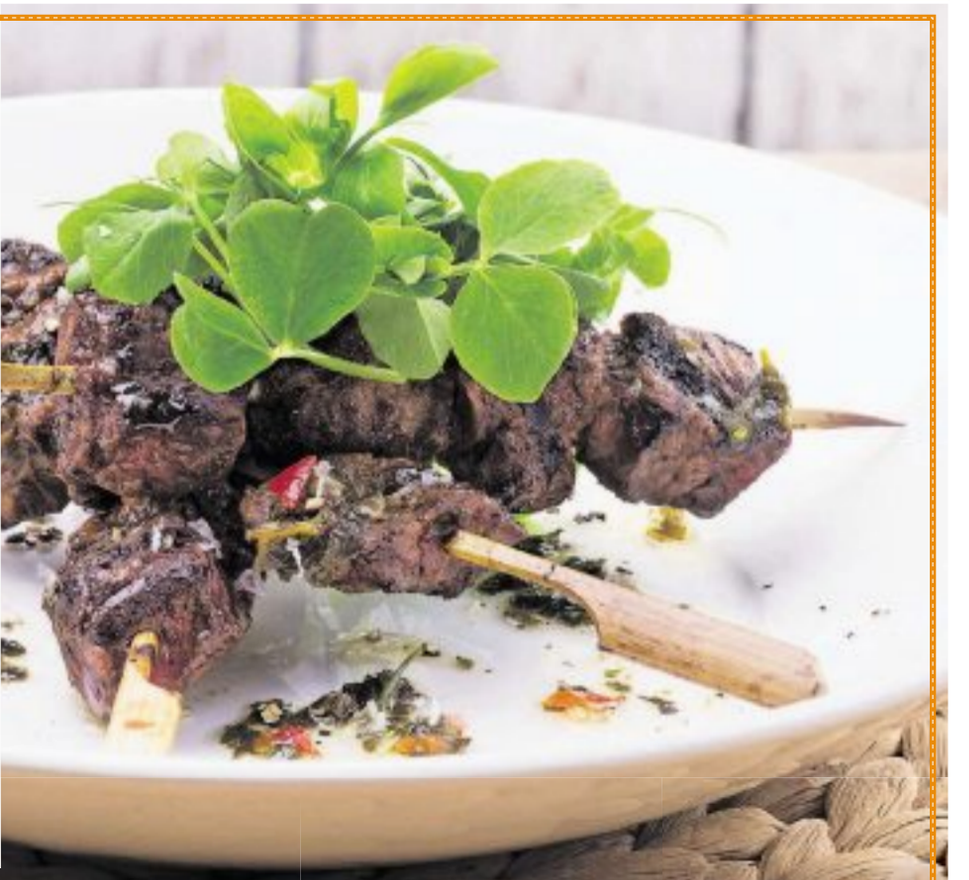

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Council is driven to reuse bus shelters

BY JAMES AVERILL
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DISUSED bus shelters could be drafted in from other areas after passengers faced being left with no seating or cover from the rain.

It has been discovered that in phase two of the £600,000 improvement works to Bletchley Bus Station, taking place from April to June, existing shelters will be removed and there will be no temporary ones provided.

And Milton Keynes Bus Users Group (MKBUG) believes passengers will be 'without cover from rain' and that the lack of seating will affect elderly and disabled passengers.

But Milton Keynes Council has told MK NEWS that it is looking into the possibility of bringing in shelters from other areas to plug the gap.

A spokesman said: "The council is looking into the possibility of providing some temporary bus shelters for bus users while the redevelopment works are going on at Bletchley Bus Station.

This might include 'recycling' disused bus shelters from other areas.

"Every effort has been made to minimise disruptions while these necessary improvements take place."

Peter Ballantyne, chairman of MKBUG, said: "We have been campaigning for some time for the area to be updated, but had hoped that a bit of thought would have been given to the needs of bus passengers during the update."

The renovation, which began earlier this month, is expected to last for 16 weeks.

On the buses: *From left*, David Worley, Megan Pritchard and Peter Ballantyne from MKBUG at Bletchley Bus Station where they've been handing out leaflets showing new pick up points

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Playing is the best medicine on ward

Playroom: Leo's Appeal is hoping to raise money to pay for more books and technology like iPads and televisions that are needed for the patients who visit the children's ward at the city's hospital

REPORTER Jessica Duncan talks to some of the unsung heroes at Milton Keynes Hospital's children's ward that Leo's Appeal is aiming to help

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Play assistants: Lucy Sparks and Laura Clarke in Milton Keynes Hospital's children's ward with patient Richmond Duah, aged 11, making a mask he will be able to paint. The hospital is trying to raise £25,000 which will help buy more arts and craft equipment

unsung heroes of the ward who spend time doing various activities like art, reading and playing with toys to help keep patients occupied and prepare them for treatment.

Lucy said: "It is the most rewarding job ever and I love it here."

Leo's Appeal, which is MK NEWS and MKWeb's charity of the year, is aiming to raise £25,000 to buy new play equipment, medical dolls and sensory toys to help the play assistants carry out their work.

It will also help improve the playroom's facilities where arts and craft sessions are held every day.

The medical dolls will help Laura and Lucy show the patients the procedures they may have, including blood tests and how catheters are fitted.

Sensory toys will not only help youngsters with disabilities, but make the treatment rooms a less frightening place for children.

"Donations for Leo's Appeal will really help us with the work we do," added Lucy.

The play assistants also visit the youngsters who can't get out of bed and spend time getting to know their mums and dads so they have the peace of mind to have a break in the parents' lounge.

Lucy said: "We do a lot more than just play with the children. We really help make their time here more of a fun and positive experience so if they ever have to return they don't need to be scared or worried as they know they are going to be well looked after."

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Plan to 'invigorate' failing local centre

BY JAMES AVERILL
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A NEW larger convenience store would 'invigorate' the city's 'worst performing local centre'.

That's according to the group overseeing the planned redevelopment of Willen Local Centre, which is due to be discussed at a meeting of Milton Keynes Council's development control committee tomorrow.

Planning officers have recommended a series of minor alterations that will combine several units to create a larger space for the store, expected to open in September if approved.

Duncan Mason, of Newcrest Willen Limited, said: "Willen is the worst performing local centre in MK, it's half empty. A larger convenience store will invigorate the area. All the supermarkets have been in contact and we have the luxury of choosing the best one."

He added the group had considered buying Willen Village Surgery, but following our story last week is now backing plans to keep it as a GP practice.

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Statue: How the Leaping Man may look and, *inset*, Greg Rutherford

Statue is set to be up in May

A STATUE celebrating Greg Rutherford's Olympic long jump gold medal is due to be finished in May.

A timetable of construction has been revealed for the £100,000 Leaping Man on The Fen Street roundabout near Magna Park.

The foundations are expected to be built in early May. The sculpture will then be erected and is due to be completed by May 29. A formal unveiling ceremony will then be agreed by builders Gazeley and Milton Keynes Council.

Inspiration for the 8.7 metre statue came from Greg Rutherford's success at London 2012.

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Adapting to Housing Benefit changes:

Advice on homeswapping There have been changes to Housing Benefit so that working-age people living in social housing now receive Housing Benefit based on the number of people in their household and the size of their accommodation.

This change, known as the Removal of the Spare Room Subsidy, will help families living in overcrowded accommodation and those on waiting lists to find new homes. This system already applied to people renting privately so now all tenants are treated in the same way.

If you are affected, the amount of Housing Benefit you receive may have reduced, but there is a range of support to help you adapt to these changes and find a property that is better suited to your needs.

HomeSwap Direct is a national home-swap scheme which allows you to see details of every available social housing property, whether this is just round the corner or somewhere else in the country. There are thousands of homes out there and moving can just be a click away.

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Swapping your home through your council can provide a simple way of finding properties in your area that are the appropriate size for you and your family. Search with your postcode at: www.gov.uk/apply-swap-homes-council. You can speak to your landlord to see if they have any suitable properties available, or a neighbour that could benefit from switching homes too.

Finding a job or increasing your hours can also make you financially better off and help make up the difference in rent. Use the Benefits Adviser tool to see how you could be better off in work: www.gov.uk/benefits-adviser.

Jobcentre Plus can help you find work, providing valuable training and work experience which can help you get back into the workplace. You can also see thousands of job vacancies using Universal Jobmatch and create an online profile to get alerts about jobs automatically matched to your CV. Just visit: www.gov.uk/jobsearch.

As well as increasing your income, you may be eligible for financial support in both the short and long term to help with your housing costs. Speak to your council about the Discretionary Housing Payment scheme if you need more help: www.gov.uk/find-your-local-council.

Find out more about all your options at www.gov.uk/housing-benefit.

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Help with changes to Housing Benefit

Working-age people living in social housing now receive Housing Benefit based on the number of people in their household and the size of their accommodation. **Pensioners are not affected by this change.**

This change helps families who live in overcrowded accommodation or on waiting lists to find a new home. People who rent from private landlords already get Housing Benefit in this way, and this makes it fair for everyone.

If you are affected, you should have heard from your council.

There is support to help you manage these changes, including:

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Centre is put up for auction by trustees

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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A POPULAR theatre and arts centre is up for sale at auction.

Creed Street Theatre and Arts Centre is due to go under the hammer on Monday with a guide price of £325,000.

The centre, which was used by several groups including ones for dance, comedy and theatre, closed in December last year after running up debts of £40,000.

In February the centre's trustees asked if anyone in the town could come up with a business plan to save it.

A spokesman for the trustees said: "Selling the property was our only viable option as no-one has come forward with a proposal that dealt with the debts.

"The trustees are in negotiation with several organisations who are interested in the building. They are optimistic the building will remain in community ownership and will be reopened as a community venue."

This month Wolverton and Greenleys Town Council applied to Milton Keynes Council to make the centre a 'community asset' so it can still be used by the public.

Town clerk Sally McLellan said: "The town council working group has worked tirelessly to meet with the trustees to bring the property back into public use, but they have not shown any willingness to meet. We are disappointed they have not shown any interest in working with the town council to save the building. The council remains determined to keep the building as a Wolverton community hub."

Disappointed: Wolverton and Greenleys Town Council's working group for Creed Street Theatre and Arts Centre outside the venue

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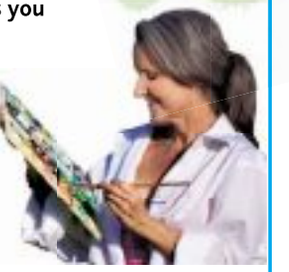

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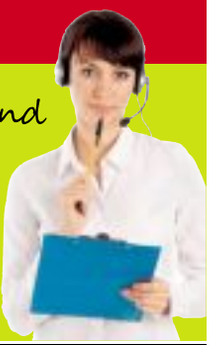

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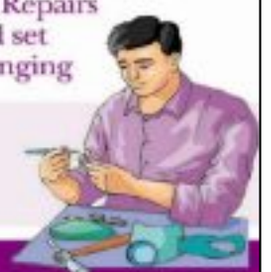

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Thieves cause a hole new issue

Dangerous: Zoe Turnmore spotted this deep hole in the pavement just in time

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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A MOTHER was outraged when she discovered a huge hole left in a pavement by a water company as she walked her son to pre-school.

But Anglian Water has told MK NEWS that the barriers that were left to protect the public from the hole while a leak was repaired were stolen by thieves.

Zoe Turnmore, from Bradwell Common, was taking her three-year-old son Luke to pre-school on Thursday when she came across the hole in Conniburrow Boulevard.

The 26-year-old said: "It was really foggy and there were no signs or anything to show it was there, just a pile of mud.

"As there are no cars in the area we let our children play on the way to school but when I saw the mud I called my son back.

"It was an accident waiting to happen. There needed to be some tape or a big sign – not just a small sign from Anglian Water that was in the hole itself."

Antony Innes from Anglian Water, said: "Our engineers repaired a leak on Wednesday and used barriers to make sure the hole was not left in a dangerous way until the path could be reinstated.

"Unfortunately, overnight the protective barriers were stolen, leaving the hole unprotected. As soon as we were made aware of this, an engineer returned with new barriers and set about filling in the hole. We're sorry for any distress this may have caused."

The footpath was fixed on Friday.

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Tony Byrne
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Landlord licence could raise rents

BY SCOTT KIRK
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FURTHER licensing of houses in multiple occupation (HiMOS) – which may mean tenants have to pay more rent – could help Milton Keynes Council tackle landlords that are not doing their job properly.

During a fiery cabinet meeting last Wednesday, councillors agreed that officers should look further into introducing selective licensing on HiMOS.

Councillors said this would highlight HiMOS that are not up to scratch.

Cllr Andy Dransfield said: "If you're a good landlord and comply with the licence then there shouldn't be a problem.

"If you're a bad landlord then licensing is there to protect those in the most vulnerable position."

"A registration scheme for HiMOS will give an avenue for council and housing association tenants who are concerned about problems, which you don't always have for a private landlord."

If you approve additional licensing on all HiMOs then you will lay yourselves open to public criticism.

Alex Caravello

But several landlords spoke out against the plans at the meeting, saying there was no evidence that additional licensing had any affect on anti-social behaviour in HiMOS.

Alex Caravello, chairman of private landlords group Landlords:MK, said: "If you approve additional licensing on all HiMOS then you will be laying yourselves open to public criticism."

Private landlord Ken Yeung added: "There is little evidence to support selective or additional licensing."

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Council officers will now prepare another report on the issue for the housing and community select committee and it was requested that it is also sent to members of the cabinet.

But it was not all bad news for landlords.

Councillors agreed that no further action would be taken to introduce selective or additional licencing across the whole private sector at this time.

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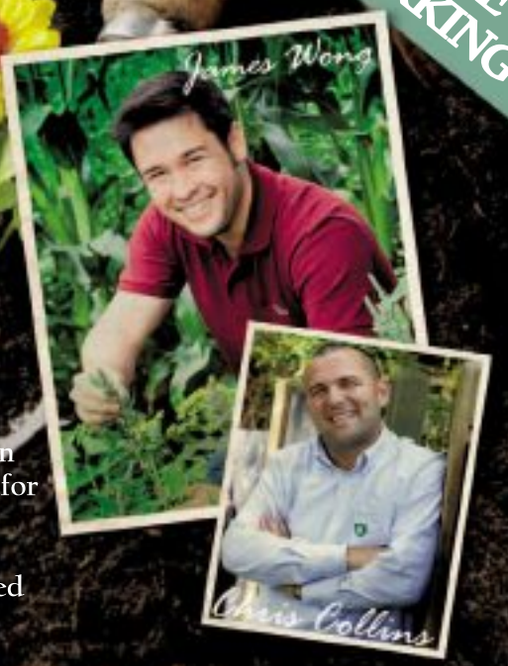

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Residents pick up top awards

BY JAMES AVERILL
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RESIDENTS have been rewarded for their service to their community at an awards ceremony.

Some of Woughton's finest residents were invited to The Chair's Awards Reception, which was held on Friday at the Moorlands Centre in Beanhill.

The event, organised by Woughton Community Council, recognised the outstanding contributions made by people such as Jenny Morris – who picked up the Good Friend award for 'always being there'.

Tom George was honoured with the Young Achiever gong for encouraging people to attend job club.

In the last year 27 people have moved into education or employment thanks, in part, to Tom's encouragement.

There was also recognition for carer June Hughes, who looks after her young daughter, while Unsung Hero Pete Hardy was recognised for his work tidying the local park.

Finally Fiona O'Brien was honoured for her community support thanks to her motivational work at Coffee Tots pre-school.

Keith Temple, of Woughton Community Council, said: "The evening demonstrated the high level of community spirit that there is in Woughton.

"There has been some negative press about these estates but this was the positive side."

That's the spirit: Residents from Woughton were presented with awards for their community work at The Chair's Awards

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Deaths

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Muriel
(Midge)

Nee Clark

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Family flowers only please, but donations if desired for Parkinson's UK.

The funeral service to take place on Thursday 20th March at 10.30am in St. Faiths Church, Newton Longville, followed by burial in the cemetery.

Enquiries care of
H.W. Mason & Sons,
97 Victoria Road, Bletchley, MK2 2PD.
Tel: 01908 642700.

HUDSON
Alison Jane
(Ali)

27th March 1970 to
4th March 2014

43 years young of Coffee Hall, Milton Keynes passed away at home and will be sadly missed by all her family and friends.

Funeral service to take place at Crownhill Crematorium, Oak Chapel on 27th March 2014 at 12.15pm.

Donations are welcome to the RSPCA and can be sent c/o

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Deaths

SHIPTON
Harold Henry

Sadly passed away at Milton Keynes General Hospital on 10th March 2014, aged 93 years.

Always loved and remembered by Sons Bob, Pete and Terry, Daughter Joy, Daughter-in-law Jackie, Grandchildren, Great-Grandchildren, family and friends.

The funeral service will take place in the Oak Chapel, Crownhill Crematorium on Tuesday 25th March 2014 at 10.45am, where all will be welcome.

For further information please contact
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KEECH
Stan

Formerly of Sherington, died peacefully on Monday 10th March 2014. This loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather will be sorely missed.

The funeral service and burial will take place at St. Lauds Church, Sherington on Monday 24th March at 2pm.

Family flowers only please but donations if desired for Willen Hospice and Macmillan Cancer Support would be appreciated and may be sent to
H.W. Mason and Sons,
9 High Street,
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GOW
Robert Gray

Of Bradville, died suddenly on Wednesday 12th March 2014 aged 64 years. Very much loved and will be greatly missed by his Wife Mary and his Children Neil and Clare, his Grandchildren, his family and friends.

Funeral service will take place at St. Mary Magdalene Church, Stony Stratford on Thursday 27th March at 12.45pm followed by interment at Wolverton Cemetery.

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DEE BELL

Of Springfield.

Passed away peacefully on 13th March at home. Sadly missed by husband Bob and children Matt and Sam. Danny and Vicki. Much loved, greatly missed by your grandchildren Thomas, Charlie and Noah.

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DELLER
John

Late of Bletchley, passed away peacefully surrounded by his family at Butlin House aged 80 years. Dearly loved husband of Barbara, dad of Susan, Glen and Lee, much loved grandad to seven and great-grandad. He was dearly loved and will be sadly missed.

A celebration of his life will be held at Crownhill Crematorium, Oak Chapel on Thursday 20th March at 2.45pm.

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Deaths

HANLEY
Lindsey Gail

Of Netherfield passed away suddenly but peacefully on 8th March aged 49 years.
Much loved Partner of Paul and loved Mummy to Kim, Mark, Andrew, Paul and Neil.
Loved Daughter and Sister.

Funeral service will take place on Monday 24th March Oak Chapel, Crownhill Crematorium at 3.30pm.

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MORGAN
John Lindsey

Of Wolverton.
Sadly passed away at Milton Keynes General Hospital on Thursday 13th March 2014, aged 82. John was very much loved by his late wife Phyllis, his late son Derek, his daughters Helen and Debbie, his brother Derek and all his family and friends.
The funeral service will take place at 11.00am on Thursday 27th March 2014 in the Willow Chapel, Crownhill Crematorium.
Family flowers only but donations in memory of John are for Westbury Grange Care Home and can be sent to:
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KATHLEEN WELLS

Of Bletchley passed away peacefully on 7th March, aged 90 years.
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Funeral service will take place at at the Oak Chapel, Crownhill Crematorium on Friday 28th March at 2.00pm.
Family flowers. Donations welcome if desired for Alzheimer's Research UK may be forwarded to:
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SEYMOUR
Sylvia Grace

Of Bradwell Village.
Sadly passed away in Milton Keynes Hospital on 23rd February 2014, aged 81 years.
Wife of the late Ronald Sidney Seymour, she will be sadly missed by her friends and neighbours.
Funeral Service takes place at St. Lawrence Church, Bradwell Village on Wednesday 2nd April at 12.30pm.
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WILSON
Daphne

Of Newport Pagnell passed away peacefully at Neath House on 15th March 2014 aged 91 years. She was very much loved and will be sadly missed by all her family and friends.

Funeral service to take place at Crownhill Crematorium Oak Chapel on Monday 24th March at 2.45pm.

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Deaths

APPLEBY
Debbie

Passed away peacefully on Friday 14th March 2014 aged 50 years. Wife to Andy and mother to Joe. She will be sadly missed and forever in our hearts.

The funeral service will take place on Tuesday 25th March at 1.15pm at Crownhill Crematorium, Oak Chapel.
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CUPIAL
Janice

Passed away suddenly at home on Sunday 9th March aged 68 years. She is sadly missed by all her family and friends.

The funeral service will take place on Friday 28th March in the Oak Chapel at 4.15pm.

Family flowers only please but donations if desired for Macmillan Cancer Support (Trust).

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HARDY
John Edward

Aged 87 years of Newport Pagnell died at Milton Keynes Hospital on 15th March 2014 after a short illness bravely fought. Loving husband of Joan, brother of Jane and uncle to Francy and Maggie, he will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.
Funeral Service takes place on Wednesday 26th March at the Methodist Church, Newport Pagnell at 1.30pm.
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TEARLE
Nellie

Of Lavendon, passed away peacefully at Milton Keynes Hospital on 17th March 2014, aged 84 years.

She was very much loved and will be sadly missed by all her family and friends.

Funeral service to take place at St Michaels Church, Lavendon on Thursday 27th March at 1pm.

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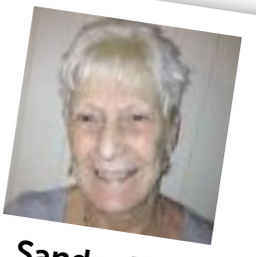

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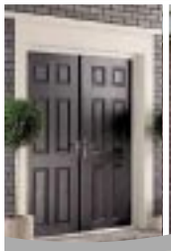

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Excited: Professional table tennis player Andrew Baggaley, 31, from Stantonbury, says the move of the ETTA to Milton Keynes will 'raise awareness' of table tennis across the city

Table tennis HQ a 'scalp' for MK

BY JAMES AVERILL
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ENGLISH table tennis making the city its new home is 'a big scalp', according to the leader of Milton Keynes Council.

The English Table Tennis Association (ETTA) officially moved into its new interim building in Saxon Gate on Monday, ahead of a permanent move to the new Badminton Arena being built next to MK Bowl.

It means another sport has made Milton Keynes its home and Cllr Andrew Geary believes this vastly improves our International Sporting City status.

He said: "It's a big scalp to have the table tennis here.

"We are beginning to prove that we are an international sporting city, which will make us one of the first places people look to go if they want to see top quality sport."

Its also good news for Commonwealth Games medal winner Andrew Baggaley from Stantonbury.

He told said: "It's an exciting move for table tennis and for the city. I haven't played in a tournament in MK since I was 11, so it will be good if some major ones come here."

Sara Sutcliffe, chairman of the ETTA, said the move, which has created 18 new jobs, has resulted in improved facilities with the possibility of tournaments.

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£8.5m for firms leading the way

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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FIRMS from the city are helping to lead a government drive to rebuild Britain's manufacturing prowess.

Ceravision Limited from Tilbrook and Computerised Information Technology Limited in Kiln Farm are among nine businesses from across the country chosen by Business Secretary Vince Cable to benefit from a £245million government fund.

Ceravision has received £6.2million to work with partners to set up a supply chain for its DayNow plasma lighting, which was developed at the innovation centre in Bletchley Park.

The project to develop the high efficiency lighting, which consumes 50 per cent less energy than existing products, is costing a total of £11.6million and is expected to create more than 90 jobs.

Delight: Tim Reynolds, CEO of Ceravision, *centre*, with staff at the Tilbrook firm

Tim Reynolds, CEO of Ceravision, said: "This award will enable us to further our relationship with British suppliers, continue to create British jobs and enhance British exports."

Computerised Information Technology will receive £2.3million towards a £3.3million project to develop a new computer controlled system to detect defects in 3D objects. Up to 15 jobs will be created as part of the project, which will prevent waste, saving companies money and reducing carbon emissions.

Mr Cable said: "Britain is starting to win back business on the basis of hard headed business decisions based on quality and good performance. Through our industrial strategy the Government is working in partnership with business to nurture these encouraging signs."

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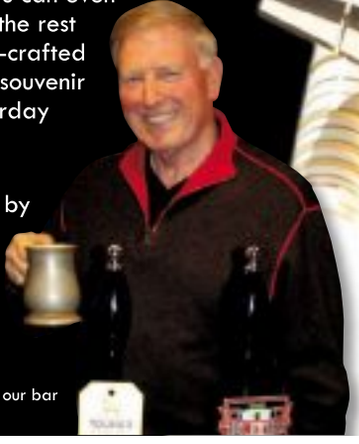

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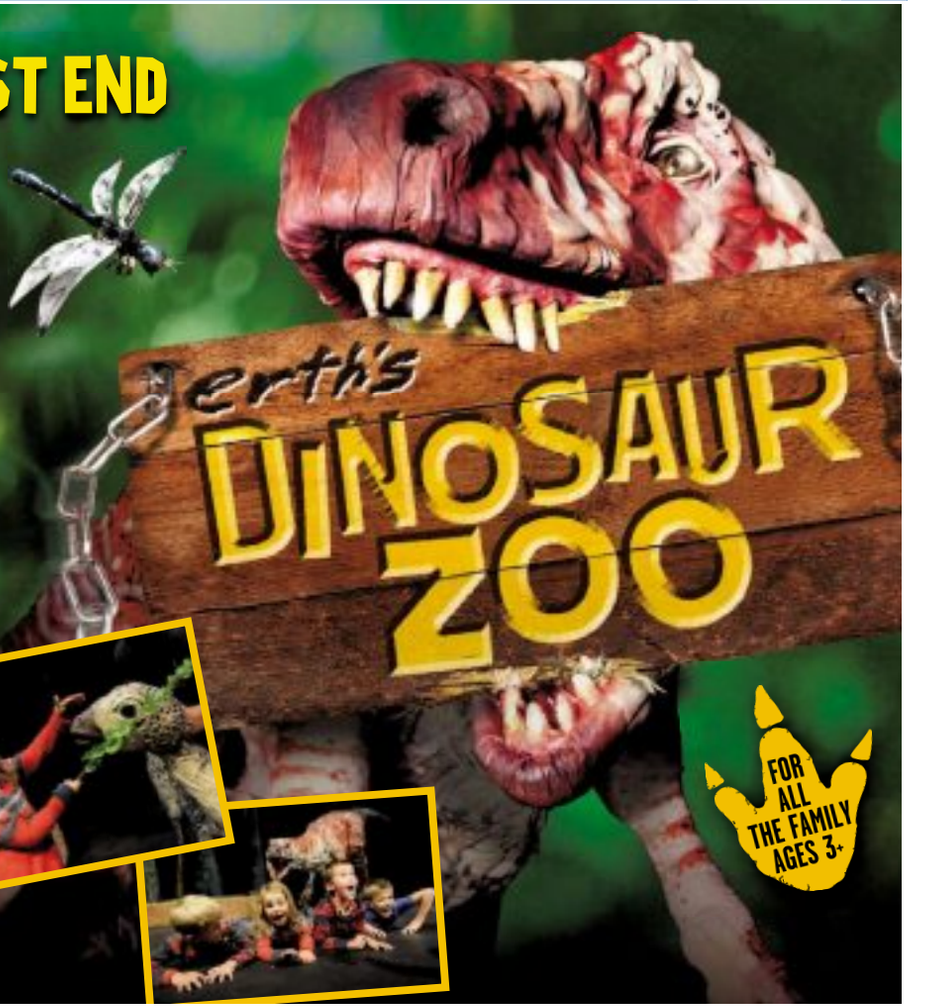

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'English rose' heads to MK

WITH substantial support from the music press and radio, folk-pop starlet Lisbee Stainton is beginning to make her mark in the music industry.

The singer-songwriter has already toured with Joan Armatrading, Paul Carrack, Gretchen Peters and Seth Lakeman in recent years, with the latter even co-writing some material for her latest album Word Games.

The 25-year-old is known as 'the English rose with the eight-string guitar' and has been writing songs for 17 years.

She launched her career in 2007 when she became the first unsigned singer-songwriter to play London's O2 Arena, performing two shows to 30,000 people.

And two years later she graduated from university with a degree in popular music and her first album release under her belt, Firefly, produced by Guildford-based producer, Rain.

At the beginning of 2013, Lisbee went out on her own headline tour of the UK, playing all the major folk festivals throughout the summer including Glastonbury, Cropredy, Looe music festival and Beautiful Days.

Lisbee will be playing at The Stables in Wavendon on Monday. Tickets for the 8pm show, which cost £15, can be bought at www.stables.org or on 01908 280800.

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The show will take place at the Parish Church of St Peter & St Paul next Wednesday. Doors open at 6.45pm for a 7.30pm start.

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The show for all the family will take place on Saturday from 2pm at The Stables.

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owlseance

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The month-long exhibition conjures up an ill-remembered past – fragmented memories of a time of both progress and nostalgia.

Hauntology reflects primarily on the mid 1960s through to the early 80s – a time during which man first walked on the moon, music became electrified, television and video became the focal point of the modern home and new towns such as Milton Keynes began to emerge on the landscape.

Colliding with the thrill of the new was a fascination with what is now termed 'Wyrd Britain'; a resurgence of interest in folk music, the country's pagan past and the esoteric.

The screening, which last about 30 minutes, is free and films in the reel include The Cosmic Bicycle, Ghostland of Departed Buildings and A New Town.

xtracomedy

MATT Richardson only became a professional comedian two years ago – but the Xtra Factor presenter is set to put on a good show at The Stables on Tuesday.

His Hometown Hero tour is stopping off in Wavendon – and a rude night is in store.

"People in Milton Keynes can just expect a stand-up show, there's no overarching theme," he said.

"It's pretty rude, but saying really rude things makes me laugh and hopefully it will make them laugh as well.

"I'm not someone that sits down and writes stuff, I'm on the go. I generally spend the daytime doing some television stuff and going to development meetings and all that nonsense.

"But when this tour finishes I'm going to spend about two months off and basically write a new show."

His fame has happened quickly since he was catapulted onto the national limelight on the Xtra Factor.

And while he will be mixing among a world of famous names thanks to his television career, Matt is keen to point out that it is stand-up which always ranks number one.

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Night In

ghostprotocol

I BOUGHT the fourth Mission Impossible film a while ago but it was only at the weekend that I managed to watch it, writes Scott Kirk.

Ghost Protocol is, in my opinion, the best of the Mission Impossible films.

The sequences at the Burj Dubai, the tallest building in the world, are some of the most breathtaking I've ever seen and like him or loathe him, you've got to respect Tom Cruise for doing all of his own stunts.

The Kremlin scenes are also very good and I like the way the pace of the film moves along at a fair old pace.

This was also the film that brought Jeremy Renner to my attention and I think he plays a great role in the film.

And as for Cruise, I've always liked him. I can't think of a movie in which I've not enjoyed his performance and, while a lot of you will disagree, I think he's a great actor.

darksouls2

AN UNRELENTING sequel that dumps difficulty on you by the bucketful, could Dark Souls 2 steal the title from its predecessor as the most challenging game to date?

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Dark Souls 2 is unforgiving and you'll soon learn to approach every corner with care because dying is one thing you do not want to do.

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Dark Souls 2 offers players a sense of adventure and, at times, frustration. There's plenty of intense moments in what is an extraordinary game.

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supportart

A FUNDRAISING event in aid of the Milton Keynes Arts Centre will be held on Saturday.

The lunch at the Great Linford studio from noon will display some award-winning artists' work on ceramic plates that visitors will be able to take home.

Tickets cost £100 per person, or £150 for a couple, from Emma-Jayne Taylor at emma-jayne@miltonkeynesartscentre.org.

The ceramic plate exhibition can be viewed by the public for free until Friday.

citystars

TOUR of Duty and Ladies Who Do Pizza will be performed at Stantonbury Theatre.

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oneman

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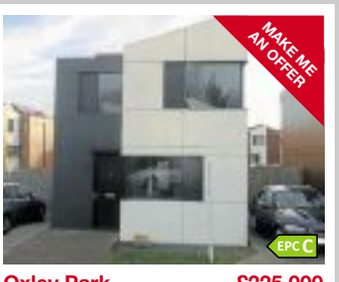

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- Utility room
- No upper chain
- Energy Rating C

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- Lounge/diner
- Sealed unit double glazed windows
- Gas to radiator heating
- Downstairs cloakroom
- Off road parking
- No upper chain
- Energy Rating C

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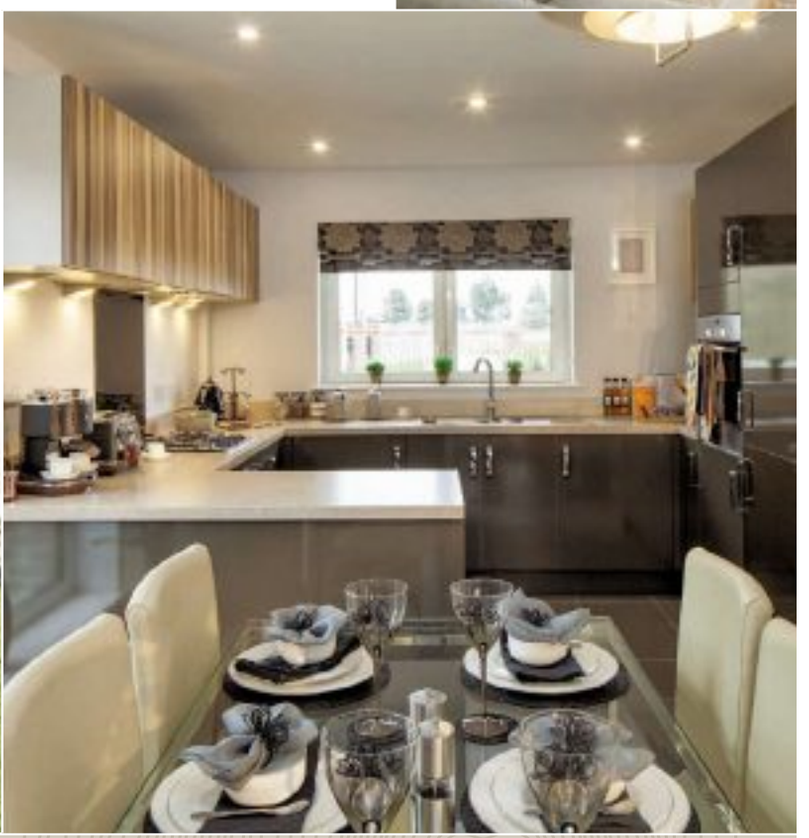

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Visits to the School are welcomed, and recommended.

Application forms and further details are available from the School Website.
Email: henlowacademy@schools.bedfordshire.gov.uk
Website: www.henlowacademy.co.uk
Tel: 01462 813733 | Fax: 01462 817340
Closing date for applications: Wednesday 2nd April 2014

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Visits are actively encouraged. Please contact the school to arrange a visit on 01908 257810.

To request an application pack please email:
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Closing date: 23rd April 2014 Interviews: 30th April 2014

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To start 22nd April 2014

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Interview date: 2 April 2014.

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Full-time
MPS

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Interview date: 3 April 2014.

Please see our website www.markrutherford.beds.sch.uk for full details and email your completed application form to fran.wade@mrus.co.uk by the closing date.

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Closing date: 12 midday on Friday 28 March 2014

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Closing Date: 23rd April 2014
Interview Date: 29th April 2014

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- Work in partnership with schools, colleagues, social workers and care professionals to promote consistently high outcomes for looked-after children
- Manage and motivate the CLA Education Team

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For informal enquiries please contact Cheryl Eyre, Head of Delivery (Setting and School Effectiveness) on 01908 254419 for an application pack and further information about this exciting opportunity
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Closing date: Monday 7 April 2014 (noon)
Interview date: 23 April 2014

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You will need to:

- Be ready for a challenge
- Be enthusiastic and proactive
- Be experienced in working with schools
- Be qualified to NVQ level 3
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For further details and an application form please contact Mrs Fiona Constant at the school address, tel: 01582 706500 ext 245 or email: fconstant@chantryprimaryacademy.com
Closing date: 27 March 2014 at 9am.
Interview date: 1 April 2014.

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Inclusion Manager / SENCO

MPS / UPS plus TLR 2b **Vacancy ID: 101010**

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Closing date: 31 March 2014 at 12noon.
Interview date: 2 April 2014.

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You will:

- Have exceptional communication skills and an enthusiasm for working in an educational environment
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Interview date: 2 April 2014.

SUNDON PARK JUNIOR SCHOOL
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The Governors of Sundon Park Junior School are looking to appoint the following suitably experienced teachers.

KS2 Lead Teacher responsible for Science

MPS /UPS Plus TLR 2 **Vacancy ID: 100995**
Required for a September Start.

The Lead Teacher responsible for Science role would be responsible for modelling and leading learning and teaching of Science across our school.

KS2 Lead Teacher

MPS /UPS Plus TLR 2 **Vacancy ID:100996**
Required for a September Start.

The lead Teacher will be required to assist the Head Teacher and the deputy Head Teacher in leading teaching and learning in upper Key Stage 2.

Class Teacher

MPS/UPS **Vacancy ID: 100997**
Required to start as soon as possible.

We require a Class Teacher who will be responsible for an upper Key Stage 2 class. Applications are welcome from both experienced teachers and NQTs, we will consider employing an NQT as soon as their training is complete.

You will be:

- Passionate about the learning of children and colleagues
- Able to inspire all members of the community to do their very best
- An accomplished team player
- An excellent classroom practitioner with high expectations and aspirations for our children's achievement and behaviour
- Committed to their own professional development

We will offer you:

- A real opportunity to play a significant role in the further development of the school and to the lives of the children at the school
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- A dedicated staff team
- A commitment to your professional development.

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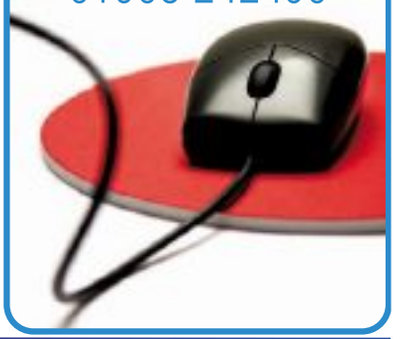

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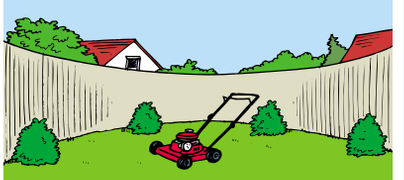

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(TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2014

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes intends, in not less than seven days from the date of this notice to make an Order under Section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 because works are to be carried out, namely essential repair works to a leaking ferrule on part of the carriageway within Boundary Crescent, Stony Stratford. The effect of this will be to temporarily prohibit vehicular traffic from proceeding along that part of Boundary Crescent, Stony Stratford from a point in line with the south-eastern boundary line of numbers 9 and 11 Boundary Crescent to a point in line with the south-western boundary line of numbers 27 and 29 Boundary Crescent. It is anticipated that the closure will commence on Wednesday 2nd April 2014 until Friday 4th April 2014, inclusive. The road will open sooner if the works are complete and it is safe to do so.

The alternative route for traffic will be via Boundary Crescent and Woodside and vice versa. The provisions of the One Way Traffic Regulation Order which relates to Boundary Crescent will be temporarily suspended whilst this temporary closure is in operation.

Signs relating to the closure will be placed on the length of carriageway that is to be temporarily closed a few days before the works are due to take place.

There shall be no exemptions from the provisions of the Order except for emergency services vehicles and military vehicles on operational duties.

The proposed Order will come into operation on 2nd April 2014 and will continue in force for a maximum period of 18 months or until the said works have been completed, whichever is the earlier. If the works are not completed within the period stated, a further Order may be made.

Any person committing a breach of the Order will be liable upon prosecution to such fine as prescribed by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

19th March 2014

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THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MILTON KEYNES
(RUSSELL STREET AT ITS JUNCTION WITH WEATHERCOCK LANE, WOBURN SANDS) (TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2014

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Whilst the temporary restrictions are in effect the alternative route will be via Weathercock Lane, Aspley Hill, the A5130 High Street and the A5130 Station Road, and vice versa. Bedfordshire Council has given consent to use this diversion route.

There will be no exemptions from the provisions of the proposed order except for emergency services vehicles and military vehicles being driven on operational duties.

The closure and its alternative route will be clearly signed in accordance with Chapter 8 of the Traffic Signs Manual.

Residents of adjacent properties will be notified of the forthcoming closure prior to works taking place.

The proposed order will come into operation on 31 March 2014 and will continue in force for a maximum period of 18 months or until the said works have been completed, whichever is the sooner. If the works are not completed within the maximum period stated, a further order may be made.

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SECTION 73	**WITHIN A CONSERVATION AREA**
14/00394/OUT	Outline planning permission for the construction of a bungalow in rear garden at 9 Gold Street, Hanslope
14/00404/FUL	Variation of condition 2 of planning permission 11/00090/FUL to extend time allocated for development at Rear of 7 High Street, Olney
14/00452/FUL	Insertion of two roof-lights to rear elevation (retrospective) at 145 Church Street, Wolverton
14/00471/FUL	Installation of road frontage piers and railings, new wall and railings sections to entrance and entrance gates at Sandy Mount, Station Road, Woburn Sands
14/00475/MKCOD3	Replacement boiler and flue at Shelton Court, High Street, Woburn Sands
14/00487/FUL	Demolition of two sectional garages and the construction of a single storey double garage at 5 Woburn Avenue, Wolverton
SECTION 67	**LISTED BUILDING**
14/00481/LBC	Listed building consent for external lighting to be fitted to the building at Stratford House, Mill Lane, Stony Stratford

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT (AS AMENDED)
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14/00067/FUL	Change of use to allow for the inclusion of (use class B2) general industrial in addition to approved (use class B8) storage or distribution at Charles Tyrwhitt LLP, Unit 3D Michigan Drive, Tongwell
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14/00433/FUL	Demolition of existing buildings and erection of foodstore (use class A1) with associated access, parking, and landscaping at 360 Stratford Road, Wolverton

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Full details of the application can be viewed via the Licensing Register at Civic Offices of the council, This is accessible Monday to Thursday between the hours of 9am to 5pm and Fridays 9am to 4pm (excluding bank holidays) or online at www.milton-keynes.gov.uk

Any interested party (such as a local resident or business) or responsible authority wishing to make representations in support or against the application must do so in writing by the following date: 3rd April 2014

To the following address: LICENSING TEAM, MILTON KEYNES COUNCIL CIVIC OFFICES, 1 SAXON GATE EAST MILTON KEYNES MK9 3EJ 01908 252800 Email: licensing@milton-keynes.gov.uk

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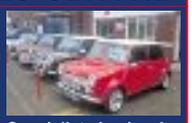

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DONS

David Martin: 'I cannot stand losing to Peterborough United'

BY SCOTT KIRK

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MK DONS goalkeeper David Martin admitted that he cannot stand losing to rivals Peterborough United, and thought Posh were lucky with the two goals they scored on Saturday.

He said he thought the London Road outfit were the better side, and probably deserved the 2-0 victory, but that did not stop him from thinking that their first goal was lucky, and as for their second goal from the penalty spot, he thought Dons should have had a free kick, echoing his manager Karl Robinson's sentiments.

Front-man Britt Assombalonga bagged both goals as Posh won the crunch promotion battle.

"I think their first goal was quite jammy. He's dragged it wide and Assombalonga is in the right place at the right time," Martin said.

"For the penalty I actually thought he was giving a free kick to us and that's how bemused I was by it.

"The referee has seen something there and he's given it at the end of the day.

"It's up to us to put the ball in the back of the net though and we haven't done that so we can't really moan."

Despite the goals, Martin thought Peterborough were good value for their win which means that they are now six points ahead of Dons in the final play-off spot with a game in hand.

"The back four in front of me really isolate teams and stop me doing my job usually, which is good and bad," said Martin.

"They definitely had the better chances and I had a bit more to do than usual unfortunately.

"They're a tough team to play against because they leave two up front and that's why they score so many goals.

"The game was quite enjoyable to play in for me personally but it's just a shame about the result because I cannot stand losing to Peterborough I've got to say.

Beaten: David Martin can't stop Britt Assombalonga scoring from the spot for Posh. Picture: Andy Handley

"It's a derby at the end of the day and these are the games you want to win for the supporters and the chairman, but it's football and they probably deserved to win the game because they had the most chances.

"They probably deserved to win the game today but now it's up to us to keep chipping away results like we have been in the last couple of weeks."

Despite the setback Martin has refused to rule out the play-offs and says the side have everything to play for with nine games left, starting with the short trip to play Stevenage away on Saturday.

He said: "The play-offs aren't done yet.

"We were down and out about four weeks ago and everyone was writing us off but we had a chance to get level on points with Peterborough.

"There are still nine games to go and they've got to win every game because I'm sure we'll be right on their heels.

"The pitches are going to start getting better and we're only going to start playing better now.

"We can still have a go at it and it's exciting for me."

Martin added that it was important for Dons to treat every game like a cup final, starting with the Stevenage game and continuing when Gillingham travel to Milton Keynes on Tuesday night.

The Peterborough game saw the top tier above the Cowshed opened for the first time, and Martin was happy to see the fans up there.

He said: "It was a bit strange running out and seeing them.

"I don't know whether it was testing or whatever but it's good to see.

"All the seats are in now so the big attendances will make a big difference one day.

"Game like Wolves and Peterborough are the games you want to play in and you do notice the difference in the atmosphere, especially when the Cowshed's behind you."

WINTER PARALYMPICS

Turney: 'Sochi 2014 was pinnacle of career'

ANNA Turney insists the Sochi 2014 Winter Paralympics were the pinnacle of her ski-racing career despite the fact she left Russia without a medal after finishing eighth in her final race.

The 34-year-old, who lived in Olney, did well to recover from a slip during her first run in the sit ski giant slalom finale in order to even post a time, and then made amends with an excellent second run.

Her combined time of 3:20.76 minutes was good enough for eighth – her third top-ten finish of the week after coming fourth in the super-G and sixth in the slalom.

And after her final race of her second Winter Paralympics, Turney admitted while the results haven't gone her way she thoroughly enjoyed her time in Russia.

"It is kind of a good way to finish as at least I have put down a good run. I had nothing to lose, I set out to go for it and go mental," she said.

"I pulled it back with my second run and I was very close to seventh, just a few tenths off, so that was a bit annoying.

"I knew I had shanked it in the first run but I managed to get my head back together and ski a good run second time around, it was a bit ragged but it was quite fast.

"The results haven't really gone my way and at times I was unlucky but it was very disappointing to crash in the downhill when I was in line for a medal and then again in the super-G to just miss out.

"I made mistakes but I went all out and the Games are really the pinnacle of my career so far so I guess all I could do was go for it.

"It didn't go my way but it has been an incredible experience and it is amazing that it has been so widely broadcast and the public is interested, it is wonderful."

Turney, now a sit-skiing veteran of two Winter Paralympics after competing in Vancouver in 2010 and now Sochi, wasn't sure what the future after the Games held for her on the slopes.

But she admitted the prospect of going to Pyeongchang in four years time in search of an elusive medal is something she would love to do.

"What we do is pretty extreme and it is amazing to have the support from back home," she added. "I have been working towards this for years now so for the meantime I am just going to go home and see my husband but we will see if I continue.

"It would be amazing to go again in four years time but I don't know if that is possible or not."

Great Britain won one gold, three silvers and two bronzes in Sochi.

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MK Dons Head of Coaching GARY WADDOCK writes exclusively for MK News every week

IT WAS a disappointing result for us on Saturday against Peterborough United because leading up to that game we had done very well.

We aren't throwing the towel in yet though, not by a long shot because there are plenty of games left, but a win would have put us right in the mix.

You don't want to lose the derbies but in fairness to Peterborough they played well and they're a strong side.

It's a tough one to take but we want to finish the season on a high.

We have some difficult games left this season but they have as well, plus they've got the Johnstone's Paint Trophy final, so you never know what will happen.

Dele Alli is a talented young man, and he had another good game against Peterborough.

He got a hat-trick up at Notts County and he is so consistent with his performances.

It's Stevenage on Saturday and they have done very well recently and are fighting for points to get out of the position they're in.

The Lamex is always a difficult place to go and get points from but we'll give it our best.

I watched the two Premier League games on Sunday and both of them were outstanding.

With the players Liverpool have got they have a chance of winning the Premier League when you look at the number of goals they have scored.

I think the top four will stay as they are now but who will end up on top of that I don't know.

It's going to be an exciting season and it will probably go down to the last game because it's a very tight top four.

Chelsea's defeat to Aston Villa you would never have expected and Man City have games in hand so it's going to be very interesting seeing who wins it.

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2	Brentford	35	14	1	3	34	15	9	6	2	25	16	+28	76
3	Leyton Orient	37	11	2	5	34	17	11	6	2	36	17	+36	74
4	Preston	37	7	9	2	26	21	11	6	2	26	15	+16	69
5	Rotherham	36	7	8	3	36	27	11	4	3	31	17	+23	66
6	Peterborough	36	10	2	5	25	19	8	2	9	33	29	+10	58
7	DONS	37	8	4	6	26	21	7	3	9	27	29	+3	52
8	Walsall	37	6	5	7	18	24	6	8	5	23	16	+1	49
9	Swindon	37	10	3	5	34	24	3	6	10	19	27	+2	48
10	Sheff Utd	35	9	5	3	26	14	4	4	10	11	24	-1	48
11	Port Vale	36	9	3	6	27	25	5	2	11	21	32	-9	47
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18	Oldham	37	6	4	8	20	26	4	5	10	21	28	-13	39
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20	Carlisle	36	7	4	8	25	30	3	4	10	13	27	-19	38
21	Stevenage	36	6	3	8	20	22	4	4	11	17	33	-18	37
22	Crewe	37	6	6	6	22	26	3	4	12	20	43	-27	37
23	Shrewsbury	36	4	7	8	16	20	3	6	8	18	27	-13	34
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ICE HOCKEY

Phantoms spooked

FROM BACK PAGE

leg. We just gave ourselves too much of a mountain to climb but the night was probably our best performance of the year.

"When we were five goals down I'm sure a lot of people thought it would be game over but we didn't give up."

Lightning completed their first ever whitewash of closest English Premier League rivals Peterborough Phantoms with two wins against them at the weekend.

Not since both clubs' formation in 2002 have Lightning won the complete series of games against the Cambridgeshire outfit.

On Saturday Lightning didn't wrap up the win at Coventry until after Phantoms withdrew netminder Damien King in a last throw of the dice after the hosts had edged in front in the 55th minute.

Within ten seconds of King's disappearance Leigh Jamieson fired into the empty net to make it 3-1 on 59mins 30secs. Minutes earlier Jamieson had been the supplier for Stan Lascek to register on the powerplay at 55mins 51secs after King had pushed his net off its moorings under challenge from the Brit.

Four point weekend: Leigh Jamieson charges in on the Phantoms goal. Picture: Jez Tibbetts

There was no such doubt on Sunday though when Lightning went 4-1 ahead in the 49th minute in Peterborough and, although they conceded a second goal soon after, Janne Jokila went on to bag an empty net goal for a 5-2 win.

Lightning were without Carr and Grant McPherson for both games, necessitating continuing switches of players from one line to another and not helping their game.

This weekend is the last of the regular EPL league games, with Lightning taking on Bracknell Bees at the Coventry Skydome before they have a re-match at Basingstoke Bison on Sunday.

But Carr was philosophical about facing their cup final opponents again.

"We want to have good form going into the play-offs so it's important to win those games," said Carr.

"Sunday against Basingstoke Bison is a different competition.

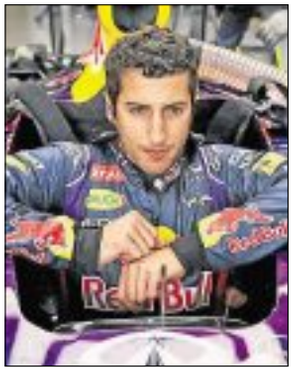
"They won the cup, our focus is now on doing as well as we can in the play-offs."

Lightning are fourth in the table with the top eight at the end of the season contesting the play-offs.

Manchester Phoenix wrapped up the league title by sealing top spot in the standings this weekend, after a 5-2 win over nearest challengers Basingstoke.

FORMULA ONE

Podium snatched away



No points: Daniel Ricciardo was disqualified on his Red Bull debut

TILBROOK-based Red Bull Racing had an opening weekend of the Formula One season to forget as they failed to score a point at the Australian Grand Prix in Melbourne.

Aussie Daniel Ricciardo thought he had made a dream debut for Red Bull after finishing second in his first outing for the team, but he was later disqualified for a breach in fuel consumption.

The sport's governing body, the FIA, has installed a fuel-flow sensor in each car to ensure teams do not exceed the maximum fuel-flow rate of 100kg/h, and stewards said Ricciardo's car exceeded the rate 'consistently'.

But Red Bull are appealing the decision, and a statement said: "Following the decision of the FIA that Infiniti Red Bull Racing is in breach of Article 3.2 of the FIA Formula One Sporting Regulations and Article 5.1.4 of the FIA Formula One Technical Regulations with Car 3, the Team has notified the FIA of its intention to appeal with immediate effect.

"Inconsistencies with the FIA fuel flow meter have been prevalent all weekend up and down the pit lane.

"The Team and Renault are confident the fuel supplied to the engine is in full compliance with the regulations."

It spoiled a fabulous weekend for the home hopeful, who had qualified second for the race, with world champion and team-mate Sebastian Vettel down in 13th.

Vettel's race was also disappointing as he had to retire after just six laps.

The German said: "On the second formation lap we lost power for some reason, we don't know why.

"It's going to be a long season.

"At the beginning I thought it was OK, but I didn't get any power from the battery and the engine failed."

Nico Rosberg won the Grand Prix, with the new placings seeing debutante Kevin Magnussen second and Jenson Button third.

McLaren lead the constructors' championship at this early stage, with Mercedes second.

The next Grand Prix takes place in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on March 30.

BADMINTON

Adcocks show the Swiss how to roll in win

CHRIS and Gabby Adcock this week added the Swiss Open mixed doubles title to the Hong Kong Open triumph they achieved in late November.

The England stars defeated their second successive Chinese pair to claim the Swiss title in Basel.

The highest-ranked mixed doubles pair among the Commonwealth nations defeated Chai Biao and Tang Jianhua 21-17 21-13 in 38 minutes to come out on top.

They had already repeated their Hong Kong final victory over Liu Cheng and Bao Yixin in the semi-final in a 64-minute, three-game contest.

In that match, the Adcocks won the opener 21-18, before the Chinese pair won 21-19 in the second despite a fightback by the husband and wife pairing.

Liu and Bao then came from 14-7 down to close to 14-12, before the Adcocks kicked on to win the decider 21-17.

The Adcocks, the third seeds and world number fives, had also been taken to three games in the quarter-finals by Indonesia's Praveen Jordan and Debby Susanto.

In the final there was little to choose between the pairs until the Adcocks, who are based at MK's National Badminton Centre, broke clear from Chai and Tang 14-14 in the opening game and took it on their first game point.

That was the perfect springboard and the Adcocks led all the way in the second to clinch victory.

The result will set them up for the next two MetLife BWF World Superseries events early next month in India and Singapore, before they tackle the European Championships in Kazan, Russia, at the end of next month.

Bigger prizes lie ahead in the summer at the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow and then the World Championships in Copenhagen.

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RUGBY UNION

BLETCHLEY suffered only their third loss of the season when Alchester beat them 17-15 as they were knocked off top spot in the Southern Counties North. Bletchley are now two points behind Aylesbury with two games in hand.

ATHLETICS

MARSHALL Milton Keynes Athletic Club hosted the South of England Road Relay Championships from their track at Stantonbury.

The club's men finished 12th, equalling their best ever result, with the women finishing 11th.

There was a great turn-out by the younger members of the club at the English Schools' Cross-Country Championships at Castle Donnington, while at Lee Valley Jack Kee won the British Masters M70 hammer title and was runner-up in the weight.

He was also fifth in the shot recording 42.07m, 16.06m and 9.46m respectively.

NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL

OLNEY Town claimed a fine 2-0 win over promotion challenging Harrowby United in the United Counties League Division One.

Tony Obusu opened the scoring with a 35 yard strike in the eighth minute and James Wardell sealed it in the final stages before Olney's Darryl Smith was sent off. Town are eighth.

In the Spartan South Midlands Division One, Stony Stratford lost 4-0 at Harpenden Town and in Division Two there was a 3-3 draw for Wolverton Town at Brimsdown and a 2-1 defeat for New Bradwell St Peter at home to Aston Clinton.

Scot Wharfside moved a step closer to winning the MK Sunday League Premier Division Title with a 3-1 victory over Punjab United. However, Stony Stratford are still snapping at their heels following a 6-2 victory over bottom club Willen. Inter Faith and Caz Bar drew 2-2 while The Garage v Olney Town finished 1-1.

Open University clinched the Division One title with a hard fought 3-1 victory over Swanfica, while in Division Two AFC Santander continued their fine run with a 3-1 victory over Buckingham United.

FLOORBALL

MK PHANTOMS finished fourth in their debut UKFF season. They just missed out on a national play-off place.

TABLE TENNIS

ANDREW Baggaley and England will face Slovakia, Turkey, Thailand, Congo and Israel in the 2014 World Team Table Tennis Championships.

England, competing in Division Two, are top seeds in Group G, with Slovakia and Turkey likely to be their toughest opponents.

HOCKEY

MILTON Keynes Ladies 1sts moved up to ninth in the South Clubs' Women's Hockey League Division 3A thanks to a superb 1-0 success at home to Hampstead and Westminster Ladies' 3rds.

Meanwhile the men's side could only draw 1-1 with bottom club Eastbourne in the Premier Division One, with Richard Townsend the scorer.

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Chadwick goes home as striker Swans in to Dons

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MK DONS legend Luke Chadwick has joined Cambridge United on loan until the end of the season.

Chadwick, who has been limited to just 14 starts this term, will join the U's until the end of the Skrill Premier campaign and aid their push to win promotion to the Football League.

The former Manchester United midfielder, 33, was born in Cambridge and joins a club who are right in the mix for a return to League Two.

If they are to get up, it would likely be via a Wembley play-off final thanks to Luton Town's commanding hold on the only automatic promotion spot.

Dons boss Karl Robinson said: "Me and Chaddy had a long discussion about his future.

"He doesn't want to let the chairman, the fans or me down but he said that while he's still got the legs he wants to fulfil his dream, which is to play for Cambridge United.

"It's a decision we've come to with him and his family. He can go there and help their promotion campaign and if he can get his boyhood club into the Football League via Wembley, I know it would be a dream come true for him and I can't stand in the way."

Chadwick, who had a chance of featuring for Cambridge against Welling last night, has won Dons' player of the year award twice and signed a new two year deal with the club in March of last year.

"He didn't want to walk away while we were short on numbers so he's stayed for the last two or three weeks and helped me out," added Robinson. "But we've got (Ben) Reeves back now, Dele (Alli), Stephen (Gleeson) and Bowds (Dean Bowditch) can play there and we saw on Saturday that Giorgio (Rasulo) can too.

"They are the future and Luke didn't want to stand in the way."

Another player who could be used up top is new signing James Loveridge, who has joined on loan from Premier League Swansea City.

Robinson is hoping that the Swans forward can replicate Patrick Bamford's achievements from the start of this campaign, when the Chelsea striker bagged 17 goals before moving on to Derby.

Loveridge, 19, has never made a senior appearance, but has scored regularly at U21 level, scoring against Liverpool, Portsmouth and Manchester United on Swansea's run to the fifth round of the FA Youth Cup in 2012/13. The pacy striker will wear number 22 and remain at the club until April 19.

"He is very quick, he's a good size, I like that he is grounded in the Swansea way and he can play anywhere across the top three, but I know he wants to be a number nine," said Robinson.

"I'm trying to find a new Patrick Bamford where I get a boy in on loan, I can settle him in and I can sign him for a year next year.

"I'm trying to see if James is the boy, there's no real financial outlay to it so if we don't try it, we don't know. I've got to look at how we did the Patrick scenario because it worked very well for us. Up to now I am very impressed by his attitude."

The move is similar to Chris Long's short-lived loan from Everton in January, which didn't work out as well as the club hoped.

"When Longy came in he started like a house on fire and we thought wow we've replaced Patrick really quickly," said Robinson.

"We found it was too many games in such a short period of time and he couldn't cope with the physicality of constant games, and he got injured on the back of that, so we've got to be careful with these young players.

"James is a year older than Longy was so we will have to wait and see, but he's one that we like."

Heading home: Luke Chadwick on the ball for Dons against Peterborough on Saturday. Picture: Andy Handley

Ten years at club for Captain Carr as MK push Bison close in cup final

MK LIGHTNING captain Adam Carr became the club's all-time longest serving player this weekend when he made his 456th appearance.

Carr, 29, signed for MK in 2003 from Isle of Wight Raiders, and the forward became skipper in 2009.

"I'm really proud and pleased to have been here for so long," Carr said.

"I've always loved being here from the moment I signed, and I've always been looked after and treated well.

"I've always enjoyed my time here."

Carr's testimonial will take place during the 2014-15 season once Lightning have settled back into their refurbished Planet Ice home.

Head coach Nick Poole paid tribute to his captain, saying: "It's rare that players stay at one club for so long and it's testament to Carsy's character and shows how much the club means to him.

"He has been the foundation that we have built our team on for many years, and helped bring this club a lot of success.

"Carsy is still young, and has many more great years ahead of him in Lightning colours."

Carr was powerless to help the side come back from the dead to beat Basingstoke Bison in the EPL Cup final second leg last week, although his side gave it a very good go.

Lightning were 4-1 down after the first leg, and two early Bison goals meant they had a mountain to climb as they went five goals behind.

But incredibly, Lightning pulled back four of them to make the score 4-2 on the night, and move within just one strike of equalising.

In the end it was not to be as Bison killed the dream with a powerplay goal with just 2mins 21secs to the buzzer.

Carr said: "We gave it a really good go and I think we were the better team in the second

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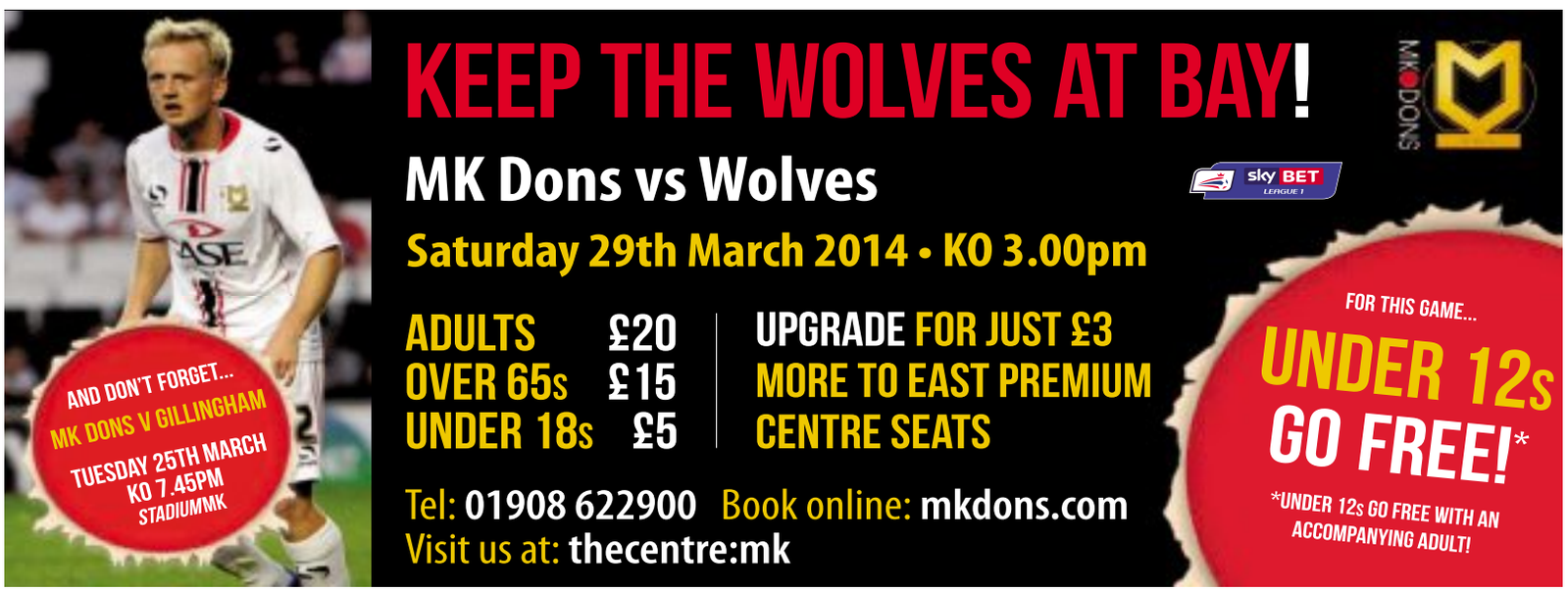

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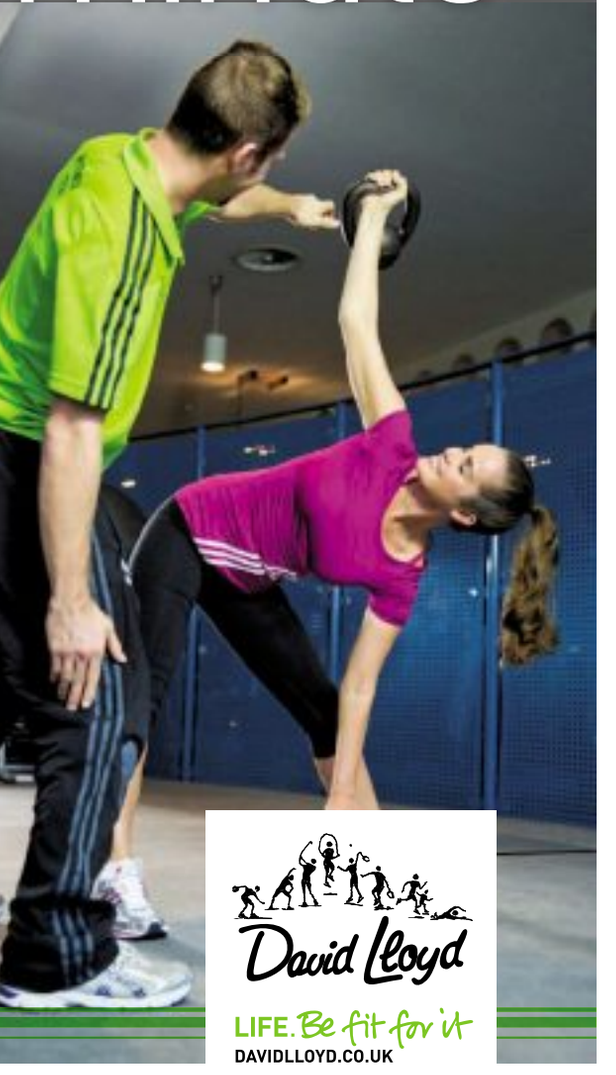

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